specified for said image for processing information, and design for identification information storage means for storing at least a part of at least either one of the image information and the information about the processing steps stored in said design information database, whereby said image information for identification producing means calls at least either one of the image information corresponding to the information about the process condition stored in the process condition storage means and the information about processing steps from said design information for identification storage means and produces the image for identification, said image information for identification producing means calling at least either one of the image information corresponding to the information about the processing condition stored in said processing condition storage means and the information about the process steps from said design for identification information storage means to produce image for identification; and

said transaction mediation system further comprises design information transmitting means for transmitting at least a part of the image information or the information about producing steps stored in said design information database to said design information for identification storage means.--

## **REMARKS**

Claim 4 has been amended to delete the presence of an improper multiple dependent claim, and new claims 8-13 have been added.

Favorable action solicited on this application is respectfully requested.

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